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C O R R E C T E D C O P Y (MRN ONLY)

SUBJECT: CIVAIR NEGOTIATIONS

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1. SORO REVIEWED LATEST ITALIAN PROPOSAL WITH AMBASSADOR LAST NIGHT (OCT 25). MADE ESSENTIALLY SAME POINTS AS ORTONA IN HIS PRESENTATION TO SOLOMON AND EMPHASIZED THAT NEW PROPOSAL REPRESENTS BEST EFFORTS OF FONOFF TO MODERATE CIVILAVIA'S DEMANDS. SORO EXPRESSED HOPE THAT ITALIAN SUGGESTIONS WOULD PROVE ACCEPTABLE BASIS ON WHICH NEGOTIATIONS COULD BE RESUMED.

2. SORO EMPHASIZED THAT FURTHER NEGOTIATIONS SHOULD BE KEPT TECHNICAL AND AVOID RAISING NEW POLITICAL ISSUES. STRESSED IMPORTANCE OF NOT STARTING NEGOTIATIONS UNLESS PROSPECTS FOR SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION SEEM REASONABLY GOOD DURING THIS ADMINISTRATION. AMBASSADOR INDICATED THAT WE FOUND THE NEW ITALIAN ROUTE SUGGESTIONS INTERESTING AND THAT SOLOMON WOULD BE REPLYING TO ORTONA IN A FEW DAYS.

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